

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

REPORT OF THE
LIBRARIAN OF CONGRESS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR

ENDING JUNE 30

1931



Printing and binding.—Appropriation for the publication of the Catalogue of Title Entries of the Copyright Office increased from \$50,000 to \$55,000. Appropriation for the printing of catalogue cards increased from \$122,500 to \$129,400, and the following additional item included:

For the publication (1) of the remaining unpublished volumes of the Journals of the Continental Congress (volumes 30, 31, 32, and 33); and (2) the fourth, and final, volume of the Records of the Virginia Company; and (3) in connection with the Bicentenary of the Birth of George Washington, the rebinding, in full morocco, of the Papers of George Washington, three hundred and two volumes, \$35,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Contingent expenses.—Appropriation for paper, chemicals, and miscellaneous supplies necessary for the operation of the photoduplicating machines of the Library increased from \$4,000 to \$5,000.

Library building.—Appropriation for salaries increased from \$151,243 to \$161,422, and the item made to read:

* * * in accordance with the classification act of 1923 as amended, \$161,422, of which sum \$2,000 shall be immediately available.

Appropriation for custody and maintenance of the Library building decreased from \$8,900 to \$7,000 and the item made to read:

* * * and other special clothing for workmen * * *.

The following additional item included in a joint resolution making an appropriation to provide books for the adult blind, approved March 4, 1931 fiscal year 1932:

That to enable the Librarian of Congress to carry out the provisions of the act entitled "An act to provide books for the adult blind," approved March 3, 1931, there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year 1932, the sum of \$100,000.

COPYRIGHT OFFICE

The Report of the Register of Copyrights appears this year as a separate publication.

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The principal statistics of the business done during the year are as follows:

Fees received and applied, fiscal year 1930-31

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| COPYRIGHT: Statistics. | Registrations for published works (at \$2)----- | \$259,344.00 |
| | Registrations for unpublished works (at \$1)----- | 26,522.00 |
| | Registrations (at \$1), photographs, no certificates---- | 2,450.00 |
| | Registrations (at \$1), renewals----- | 5,998.00 |
| | For copies of record----- | 1,577.00 |
| | For assignments and copies of same----- | 12,180.00 |
| | For notices of user----- | 490.00 |
| | For indexing transfers of proprietorship----- | 244.30 |
| | For searches----- | 629.00 |
| | Total----- | 309,414.30 |
| | Total number of registrations----- | 164,642 |
| | Total communications received, including parcels, but excluding deposits noted above----- | 207,550 |
| | Total communications sent out (including letters written)----- | 266,636 |

The fees from copyrights are covered into the Treasury and not applied directly to the maintenance of the Copyright Office. They form a regular revenue of the Government, however, and a net revenue over the direct expenses of the office, as appears from the comparison following:

RECEIPTS

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| COPYRIGHT OFFICE: Receipts and expenses. | Fees covered in during the fiscal year 1930-31 as above----- | \$309,414.30 |
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EXPENSES

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| Salaries, including retirement fund, as stated ----- | \$233,133.39 |
| Stationery and sundries----- | 1,444.52 |
| | 234,577.91 |
| Net cash earnings----- | 74,836.39 |

The above statement includes all disbursements except the cost of furniture, of printing, and of binding, but only cash receipts. In addition to cash fees, the copyright business brings each year to the Government, in articles deposited, property to the value of many thou-